

# PARA SKI RACING SAFETY GRANT INITIAVE PROGRAM CRITERIA AND APPLICATION FORM

The PARA Ski Racing Safety Initiative provides matching grants up to \$2,000 to member clubs in good standing to support the club's purchase of B-Nets and other ski racing safety equipment. Clubs interested in applying for PARA funds are strongly encouraged to first submit a matching grant application to the Kelly Brush Foundation to further leverage the club's funds.

Applications for PARA funding are automatically approved if the club is awarded a KBF Grant (provided the club is in good standing with PARA). Specifically, \$2,000 in funding from the Club matched by PARA, can become \$8,000 if matched by KFB Ski Racing Safety grant award. (\$2,000 from the club + \$2,000 from PARA can be matched by another \$4,000 from KBF).

Clubs applying to KBF do not need to apply to PARA first. When applying to KBF, the club should state in their application that PARA has agreed to match the club's funds (up to the \$2,000 maximum from PARA). No PARA application is necessary if the club is awarded a KBF grant. The KBF application deadline is usually in June each year, and information about the program can be found here: <a href="https://www.kellybrushfoundation.org">www.kellybrushfoundation.org</a>.

PARA Funds are only paid to the vendor suppling the B-Nets to the club (e.g., World Cup Supply or Reliable Racing, etc.). PARA does not provide the funds directly to the applicant club or reimburse a club for equipment already purchased. Clubs should request "KBF Pricing" from vendors.

Clubs awarded KBF grants shall provide the Netting Chair with the KFB award letter and an invoice from the vendor after the equipment order is placed and the club has paid their portion of the funds to the vendor.

Clubs only applying for PARA funds will be notified

PARA matching grants can be used for the purchase of complete B-net systems or replacement parts.

Applicants must complete all questions on the application form (attached) in order to be considered for a PARA Ski Racing Safety Grant (unless awarded a KBF grant).



## A complete application includes:

- 1. The amount of funds the club is asking PARA to match (up to a maximum of \$2,000).
- 2. A detailed description of the ski racing safety items or trail modifications that the funds will be used for
- 3. A detailed description of where the nets will be stored in the off-season which protects the nets from UV exposure. (Club resources spent on building or purchasing a netting storage structure would be considered as part of the club's funding which could be matched by PARA.)
- 4. Whether or not you plan to apply to the KBF foundation.

Please complete the attached application form. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Organizations applying for a grant must be a PARA Member club in good standing.

For more information, please contact Kurt Zwally, PARA Safety Grant Chair (vicepresident@paracing.org).



## PARA SKI RACING SAFETY GRANT APPLICATION FORM

**This form is only required if your club is not applying for or has not been awarded a KBF grant.** Applications for PARA funding are automatically approved if the club is awarded a KBF Grant (provided the club is in good standing with PARA).

Date:	
Contact Name:	
Club Name:	
Organization Address	
Contact Phone	
Number	
Email:	
Website:	

Please complete the following questions by typing responses on a separate paper.

Please re-type the question before your response.

- 1. Did you or do you plan to submit a grant application to Kelly Brush or another organization? (If no, please state why you do not plan to apply to KFB. If your KBF application was denied, please provide the letter from KBF or the reason why KBF denied your application.)
- 2. Please describe the proposed use of funds and how the funds granted would specifically enrich ski racing safety.

(e.g., our club currently has X nets; our homologation report requires a minimum of X nets for GS X nets for slalom; typically, we set X nets depending on conditions/course set, etc. We host X races per year (include dates). For training courses, we typically set X nets for GS & X nets for slalom)

3. Please detail the plans for achieving desired outcomes, including a plan for assessing progress toward goals and aprojected timeline for the use of funds.

(e.g., nets would be ordered by X date and to be shipped by no later than X date). Clubs should request "KBF Pricing" from vendors.

4. Do you have a space to store the nets in the offseason to protect them from damage or are you planning to build orotherwise acquire sufficient space? Please provide a picture of the



### space or describe your plan to build/purchase it?

(Club resources spent on building or purchasing a netting storage structure would be considered as part of the club's funding which could be matched by PARA.)

- 5.Is your course homologated? Please attach a copy of your homologation report. If not homologated, what are yourplans to make it homologated?
- 6. Has your club already raised the matching funds? If not, please detail how you plan to raise the matching funds.

(e.g., we are holding a golf tournament on X date; or at our annual awards banquet, we will ask our member families to contribute to the netting fund; etc.)

#### The Application Review & Award Process:

Completed applications should be sent to the PARA Executive Committee for review. Decisions are usually made within 30-days of receipt of a complete application.

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Upon notice of an award from PARA, the Club shall provide the Executive Committee with an invoice from the netting vendor that shows a) the netting materials the club intends to purchase, and b) that the club has already paid its portion to the vendor. Upon receipt of the above, PARA Treasurer will pay the vendor the amount of the grant award.

Both World Cup Supply and Reliable Racing are familiar with this process. Just inform them you are requesting KBF pricing for a PARA matching grant.

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